

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE VARIOUS
BOARDS OF TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF MENDON
INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE
Municipal Year Ending December 31, 1925

259TH ANNUAL REPORT.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

The undersigned Treasurer of the Town of Mendon for the financial year ending Dec. 31, 1925, submits an account of his doings.

The Treasurer debits himself with receiving the following sums, viz:—

To cash received, unexpended balance	
Jan. 1, 1925	\$894 88
To cash received, Milford Savings Bank	\$18,000 00
To cash received, Home National Bank,	
Interest	45 32
To cash received, State Treasurer,	
Income, Mass. School Fund, Part II	2,564 41
To cash received, State Treasurer,	
Account of Vocational Education	75 00
To cash received, Albert W. Sears, rent	
of Town Hall	214 00
To cash received, State Treasurer, Corp-	
oration Tax, Public Service	160 00
To cash received, Ladies' Alliance for	
Rent	18 00
To cash received, Cora Green, Sunday	
License	2 00
To cash received, Kassab & Raad, Sun-	
day License	2 00
To cash received, Russell E. Bates,	
Pool License	2 00
To cash received, Russell E. Bates,	
Sunday License	2 00
To cash received, Park Commissioners,	
Library Fence	3 00

To cash received, Sullivan & Lutz, Sunday License	2 00
To cash received, Nipmuck Park Co., Licenses	100 00
To cash received, Louis J. Paganni, two Licenses	4 00
To cash received, Mrs. Georgiana Rogers, Sunday License	2 00
To cash received, Mrs. Georgiana Rogers, Victualers License	2 00
To cash received, Income Tax, Business	6 07
To cash received, Town of Bellingham, School Books	2 60
To cash received, Henry W. Gaskill..	110 50
To cash received, Fred Luby, Sunday License	2 00
To cash received, Walter Coffin, Sun- day License	2 00
To cash received, Walter Coffin, Victaulers License	2 00
To cash received, Patrick Quirk, Fire Wagon	20 00
To cash received, Benj. Leone, Sun- day License	2 00
To cash received, State Treasurer, ac- count of Inspection of Animals ..	29 63
To cash received, Arthur J. Webster, Sunday License	2 00
To cash received, Arthur J. Webster, Victualers' License	2 00
To cash received, State Treasurer, Division of Highways	2,445 13
To cash received, State Treasurer, Income Tax, 1922-23-24	112 00
To cash received, Salin Kassab, Sun- day License	2 00
To cash received, Johnson Bus Line, Inc.	20 00

To cash received, State Treasurer, Tuition of Children	648 35
To cash received, State Treasurer, Account of Supt. of Schools	386 67
To cash received, State Treasurer, Account of Providence Street	1,000 00
To cash received, Milford District Court Fines	150 90
To cash received, County Treasurer, Account of Providence Street	1,000 00
To cash received, City of Boston, School Dept.	78 71
To cash received, State Treasurer, Forestry Dept.	42 00
To cash received, State Treasurer, Corporation Tax, Business	100 28
To cash received, State Treasurer, Income Tax, 1925	2,725 90
To cash received, National Bank Tax, Chapter 63, General Laws ..	145 19
To cash received, State Treasurer, Street Railway Tax	14 15
To cash received, State Treasurer, High School Tuition, Special Cases	512 50
To cash received, State Treasurer, Military Aid	30 00
To cash received, State Treasurer, State Aid	138 00
To cash received, State Treasurer, Soldiers' Exemption, Chapter 58, General Laws	25 15
To cash received, for Grass on Founders' Park	4 00
To cash received, Mr. Wardsworth for Culvert	18 00
To cash received, H. J. George, for Culvert	14 00

To cash received, County Treasurer, Dog Tax	343 14	
To cash received, W. A. Barry, ½ fees of Hay Scales	11 30	
To cash received, Town of Bellingham, Account of Forest Fire	31 00	
To cash received, Home National Bank, Account of Raised Check	1 00	
To cash received, State Aid, Check returned	6 00	
To cash received, Verena Daley, Library Fines	26 82	
To cash received, G. C. Coffin, Collector, Taxes 1921-22-23-24-25	22,464 50	
To cash received from Emergency Fund	568 01	
	<hr/>	\$55,338 11

The Treasurer credits himself with paying the following amounts, viz:—

By cash, Director of Accounts	\$10 00
By cash, Milford Savings Bank	14,000 00
By cash, Milford Savings Bank, Interest	528 61
By cash, County Tax	1,353 00
By cash, State Tax	2,040 00
By cash, Repairs of State High- ways	228 80
By cash, Town Orders, School Depart- ment	14,651 38
By cash, Library Orders	513 19
By cash, Orders from Overseers of Poor	1,084 81
By cash, Orders from Selectmen, Snow	451 38
By cash, Orders from Selectmen, High- ways	8,955 32

By cash, Orders from Selectmen, Miscow Spring Water Co.	378 00	
By cash, State Aid	102 00	
By cash, Other Town Orders from Selectmen	8,324 35	
By cash, on account of Raised Check...	1 00	
Total expenditures		\$52,621 84
Unexpended balance		2,716 27
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		\$55,338 11

EMERGENCY FUND.

DR.

Appropriation of War Bonus Fund ..	\$568 01	
Appropriation from Unexpended balance	131 99	
	<hr/>	\$700 00

CR.

Transferred from Emergency Fund to Fire Department	\$200 00	
To General Repairs on Highways...	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$700 00

AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

DR.

To cash received, Milford Savings Bank	\$812 66	
To cash received, Interest, Milford Savings Bank	32 65	
To cash received, Interest on Liberty Bond	21 25	
To cash received, Worcester County Institution for Savings	394 82	
To cash received, Interest, Worcester County Institution for Savings ...	17 94	

To cash received, United States Liberty Bond	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,779 32

CR.

By cash paid, Six Town Orders	\$200 00	
By cash deposited in Milford Savings Bank	666 56	
By cash deposited in Worcester County Institution for Savings ...	412 76	
By cash, United States Liberty Bond	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,779 32

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 FUND.

DR.

To cash deposited in Milford Savings Bank	\$751 11	
To Interest received, Milford Savings Bank	34 18	
	<hr/>	\$785 29

CR.

By cash deposited in Milford Savings Bank	\$785 29	
	<hr/>	\$785 29

Notes against the Town Jan. 1, 1926, are:—

1 Revenue Note	\$5,000 00
1 Revenue Note	3,000 00
1 Revenue Note	2,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES U. GASKILL,

Treasurer.

Mendon, Jan. 1, 1926.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The Selectmen of Mendon submit the following report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1925.

Special appropriation for Record Room	\$100 00	
Paid Charles H. Allen, labor	\$11 15	
Jacob R. Brown, labor and material	56 30	
Eldredge & Sons, material	33 55	
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	\$101 00	
Overdrawn		\$1 00

SALARIES FOR TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation		\$1,250 00
Paid E. E. Chapman, auditor, 1924 ...	\$10 00	
Chas. H. Allen, assessor, 1925	165 00	
M. U. Gaskill, treasurer, 1925	125 00	
Harold C. Barrows, dog officer, 1925	10 00	
Arthur E. Brown, constable, 1925 ..	20 85	
John C. Ripley, assessor, 1925	135 00	
Wm. A. Barry, selectman, 1925	62 50	
H. W. Gaskill, assessor, 1925	125 00	
Charles H. Allen, town clerk, 1925..	62 50	
Charles H. Allen, sealer weights and measures	12 50	
F. M. Aldrich, chairman selectmen, 1925	83 30	
G. C. Coffin, tax collector, 1925....	244 68	
John C. Ripley, chairman overseers of the poor	37 50	
John C. Ripley, selectman, 1925	62 50	

Wm. A. Barry, overseer of the poor, 1925	5 00	
F. M. Aldrich, overseer of the poor, 1925	5 00	
Herbert S. Wood, tree warden, 1925	10 00	
Herbert S. Wood, forest warden, 1925	10 00	
Unexpended	63 67	
	<hr/>	\$1,250 00

MOTH SCOUT.

Appropriation		\$300 00
Paid Carl Wilbur, labor	\$124 00	
Clarence Moore, labor	147 60	
Unexpended balance	28 40	
	<hr/>	\$300 00

OLD CEMETERY.

Appropriation	\$75 00	
Paid A. E. Brown	\$75 00	
	<hr/>	\$75 00

MUDDY BROOK BRIDGE.

Appropriation	\$200 00	
Unexpended balance	200 00	

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation	\$50 00	
Unexpended	50 00	

FIRE APPARATUS.

Special appropriation	\$1,000 00	
Cash for wagon	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,020 00

Paid Roy A. Barrows, express	42	
Paid Freeman C. Lowell, cartage ...	2 00	
Robert E. Austin, truck body	15 00	
American LaFrance Engine Co., ex tinguisher holder	12 00	
Chemical outfit	562 00	
Moroney Body Co., truck body	177 75	
New England Fire Appliance Co., repair extinguishers	8 60	
F. M. Aldrich, chassis	178 00	
Milford Battery Service Station, repairing battery	3 00	
F. M. Aldrich, supplies and labor ..	50 19	
Unexpended	11 04	
	<hr/>	\$1,020 00

STREET LIGHTING.

Appropriation	\$1,200 00	
Special appropriation Washington St.	36 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,236 00
Paid Worcester Suburban Electric Co.	\$1,210 40	
Unexpended balance	25 60	
	<hr/>	\$1,236 00

TOWN OFFICERS' BONDS.

Appropriation		\$90 00
Paid H. J. George, treasurer's bond ..	\$32 00	
H. J. George, collector's bond	50 00	
H. A. Daniels & Co., town clerk bond	2 50	
Unexpended balance	5 50	
	<hr/>	\$90 00

NORTHBRIDGE STREET.

Special appropriation		\$378 00
Paid Miscoe Spring Water Co.	\$378 00	
	<hr/>	\$378 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation		\$65 00
Paid L. F. Thayer, two trucks	\$12 00	
H. M. Burr, cigars	3 25	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies	7 03	
Leonard G. Burr, labor and auto....	3 00	
Leonard T. Gaskill, repairing flag...	5 00	
Maj. E. F. Fletcher Post	31 00	
Unexpended	3 72	
	<hr/>	\$65 00

LIBRARY GROUNDS.

Special appropriation		\$100 00
Paid Frank H. Wood, labor and supplies		
and cash paid	\$98 25	
Unexpended balance	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Appropriation		\$100 00
Paid George G. Davenport, 7 inspections		
of slaughtering	\$10 50	
J. Allen Rice & Co., 6 candles	3 00	
F. M. Aldrich, 2 candles	1 00	
F. M. Aldrich, fumigating 3 cases..	6 00	
F. M. Aldrich, placarding 32 cases	16 00	
Unexpended balance	63 50	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Special appropriation		\$20 00
Paid Swandale Cemetery Association...	\$20 00	
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CLEARING ROADS OF SNOW.

Appropriation		\$750 00
Paid Alex Walleck	\$46 50	
H. W. Gaskill	4 00	
Wm. G. Larkin	5 50	
Edward Musczysty	7 00	
W. C. Robinson & Sons	8 00	
Joseph Saucier	71 88	
Joseph Saucier, tractor and plow....	273 00	
Joseph Saucier, 1 ton truck	6 00	
Joseph Saucier, 2½ton truck	17 50	
Harry Saucier	12 00	
Unexpended	298 62	
	<hr/>	\$750 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING FOREST FIRES.

Appropriation	\$250 00	
Transferred from Emergency Fund...	200 00	
Received from Town of Bellingham...	31 00	
Received from State Forester	42 00	
	<hr/>	\$523 00
Paid New England Fire Appliance Co., supplies	\$16 93	
Worcester Suburban Electric Co. ...	14 13	
State Forester, brooms and shovels ..	84 00	
Town of Hopedale, services chimney fire	10 00	
Clark Ellis & Sons, branding iron ...	6 25	
Payroll, Irons fire	14 00	
Payroll, Cook's Cove fire	17 00	

Payroll, Mendon Hill fire	7 00	
Payroll, Chapman fire	5 00	
Payroll, Miscoe fire	12 00	
Payroll, Sabatenelli fire	5 00	
Payroll, Bellingham fire	31 00	
Payroll, Wigwam Hill fire	59 00	
Payroll, South Part fire	117 50	
Herbert S. Wood, freight	1 02	
C. C. Shattuck, supplies	2 55	
Unexpended balance	120 62	
	<hr/>	\$523 00

STATE AID.

Paid State Aid to Pensioners, 12 months	\$102 00
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AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

Paid	\$150 00
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INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation	\$1,500 00	
Appropriation, special	1,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000 00
Paid Joseph H. Dudley, care of parks	\$22 00	
H. S. Chadbourne, brush	10	
G. C. Coffin, stamps	10 00	
Frederick A. Gould, supplies	31 63	
Wm. G. Larkin, repairs on Thayer St.	25 00	
Charles H. Allen, recording 19 births	19 00	
Charles H. Allen, recording 13 marriages	6 50	
Charles H. Allen, recording 16 deaths	8 00	

Charles H. Allen, administering oaths to 52 town officers	13 00
Charles H. Allen, care of Record room and lawn	15 00
Charles H. Allen, express, postage and carfare	8 00
Moses U. Gaskill, stamps	9 31
Frank H. Wood, moderator	5 00
A. B. Cenedella, town counsel	66 64
Frank M. Aldrich, toll calls	4 65
Wm. A. Barry, stamps	3 61
Frank M. Aldrich, perambulating bounds	15 00
Wm. A. Barry, perambulating bounds	15 00
John C. Ripley, perambulating bounds	15 00
E. E. Chapman, taking census	75 00
Walter Watson, 4 death returns.....	1 00
Town of Uxbridge, $\frac{1}{2}$ cost road bound	12 28
George W. Wood, 1 death return	25
James B. Edwards, 2 death returns	50
Worcester Suburban Electric Co., Town Hall, Library and Record Room	44 65
Barney Coal Co., Record Room.....	16 25
Charles H. Allen, sealing hay scales	1 00
Charles H. Allen, padlock and hasps, hay scales	1 40
H. J. George, insurance Library building	37 08
The Charlescraft Press, envelopes and printing	1 85
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., toll calls	10 25
American Railway Express Co., expressage	1 09

Harold C. Barrows, painting hay scales	11 75
John Lewis, marking bounds	3 00
Barney Coal Co., Record room.....	16 75
Worcester County Abstract Co., Assessors' blanks	20 77
Boston Nickle Plating Co., freightage	1 00
Boston Nickle Plating Co., 5 iron weights	7 00
Harry M. Stacy, Assessors' auto tax list	5 00
Barney Coal Co., Record room	16 25
Times Publishing Co., Town Clerk's supplies	10 05
Sanford Putnam Co., town order blanks	17 25
W. G. Fiske, office cabinet	18 00
W. P. Jones Electric Co., labor and supplies	20 92
W. & L. E. Gurly, supplies for sealer	4 64
Hobbs & Warren, license blanks ..	7 04
J. L. Fairbank & Co., Assessors' supplies	22 25
H. M. Burr, stamp	1 61
Moses U. Gaskill, inspection of animals	59 25
L. W. Holbrook, labor on fence at old Library	7 25
L. W. Holbrook, labor Founders' park	8 20
A. E. Brown, labor Founders' park	6 85
Charles H. Allen, certified copy valu- ation, 1925	40 00
Charles H. Allen, supplies for town officers	4 11

Charles H. Allen, supplies for Record room	18 85
Wm. P. Clarke, printing for tax collector	13 75
Milford Daily News, advertising ...	86 40
Charlescraft Press, printing	146 05
G. M. Billings, printing	39 00
Roy A. Barrows, cash and cart- age	9 00
Harold C. Barrows, killing and burying 5 dogs	10 00
H. J. George, insurance	219 60
Leonard G. Burr, ballot clerk	4 00
Harold C. Barrows, ballot clerk	4 00
G. C. Coffin, expenses collector's sale	154 50
Charles W. Gould, services to collector	5 00
Arthur E. Brown, court fees	47 38
Harold C. Barrows, court fees	5 10
Earnest E. O'Brien, court fees.....	14 90
Clark Ellis & Son, police badges....	4 00
Carl E. E. Gustafson, police duty July 3-4	4 00
Harold C. Barrows, police duty July 3-4	4 00
Harold C. Barrows, police at Albee- ville School	3 00
Harold C. Barrows, police duty accident State Road	1 00
Albert Sears, police duty July 3-4 ..	4 00
Albert Sears, police duty, accident State Road	2 00

TOWN HALL.

Paid Clark Ellis & Son, repairing stoves	\$67 65
Chester Shattuck, broom	1 95
Joseph Saucier, two cords wood	24 00
M. U. Gaskill, one cord wood	10 00
Carl Taft, one cord wood	10 00
Alfred Auty, sawing wood	3 00
Albert Sears, janitor	150 00
Albert Sears, labor and supplies.....	8 25

LEGAL EXPENSES.

Paid Parker, Milton & Riley, expenses Willard case	\$225 00
Parker, Milton & Riley, expenses Gaskill case	350 00
A. B. Cenedella, expenses Gaskill case	492 90
Wendell Williams, balance due on Willard case	36 03
Wendell Williams, services in Fletcher will case	5 00
Unexpended balance	12 71
	<hr/> \$3,000 00

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

The Selectmen report the assets and liabilities of the Town as far as known as follows:—

LIABILITIES.

3 notes	\$10,000 00	
Collector's salary 1924 as reported		
in last report	228 00	
	<hr/>	\$10,228 00

ASSETS.

Due from State, aid to pensioners	\$108 00	
Due from State, Chapter 81	254 24	
Due from State, Public Welfare	305 01	
Due from City of Boston, Public Welfare	45 43	
Due taxes for year 1922	28 10	
Due taxes for year 1923	96 40	
Due taxes for year 1924	916 57	
Due taxes for year 1925	7,668 85	
Cash in hands of treasurer	2,716 27	
	<hr/>	\$12,138 87

LIST OF JURORS, 1925.

William J. Bullard	Spindle Maker
Charles E. Ripley	Salesman
John J. Broughey	Carpenter
Edgar L. White	Box Maker
Charles F. Leonard	Farmer
Herbert S. Wood	Farmer
Harvey E. Trask	Carpenter
Leonard E. Taft	Farmer
Carl F. Hoberg	Mechanic
Louis L. Marlow	Moulder
Joseph W. McEwen	Mechanic
Alanson Freeman	Farmer
Charles J. Phillips	Mechanic
Arthur V. Pond	Farmer
George M. Barrows	Clerk

SUMMARY.

Department	Resources	Expenditures	Unexpended	Overdrawn
Moth Scout	\$300.00	\$271.60	\$28.40	
Street Lighting	1,236.00	1,210.40	25.60	
Care of Old Cemetery	75.00	75.00		
Memorial Day	65.00	61.28	3.72	
Fire Dept. and Forest Fires	523.00	402.38	120.62	
Fire Dept., Equipment	1,020.00	1,008.96	11.04	
Fire Dept., Special	500.00	374.61	125.39	
Tree Warden	100.00	71.75	28.25	\$1.00
Record Room	100.00	101.00		
Town Officers	1,250.00	1,186.33	63.67	
Northbridge Street	378.00	378.00		
Library Grounds	100.00	98.25	1.75	
Soldiers' Graves	20.00	20.00		
Board of Health	100.00	36.50	63.50	
Cutting Brush	300.00	289.50	10.50	
Clearing Roads of Snow	750.00	451.38	298.62	
Incidentals	3,000.00	2,987.29	12.71	
Chapter 81	5,431.38	5,398.75	32.63	
General Repairs	1,014.15	1,056.71		42.56
Chapter 90	2,500.00	2,499.86	.14	

Bonds for Town Officers	90.00	84.50	5.50
Muddy Brook	200.00		200.00
Soldiers' Relief	50.00		50.00
Poor Dept.	* 1,350.44	1,084.81	265.63
Schools	14,893.14	14,281.38	611.76
Taft Public Library	526.82	513.19	13.63
Interest	450.00	528.61	
			78.61
*—Due from State			
			\$305 01
Due from Boston			
			45 43
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			\$350 44

FRANK M. ALDRICH,
WILLIAM A. BARRY,
JOHN C. RIPLEY,

Selectmen of Mendon.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Appropriations for 1925	\$30,589 00
State tax	2,040 00
State abatements	228 80
County tax	1,353 00
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	\$34,210 80
Estimated receipts including polls	9,916.09
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Amount to be raised on property	\$24,294 71
Overlayings	308 81
Poll taxes committed to Collector	
July 16, 1925	\$674 00
Property taxes committed to Collector	
September 9, 1925	24,603 52
Omitted assessments committed to Col-	
lector December 19, 1925	12 19

TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

Number of residents assessed on property	326
Number of non-residents assessed on property ...	211
Number of persons assessed on property	537
Number of persons assessed for poll tax only	108
Number of persons assessed	645
Number of male polls assessed	338
Value of assessed personal estate	\$149,070 00
Value of buildings excluding land	719,156 00
Value of land excluding buildings	314,635 00
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Total valuation	\$1,182,861 00

Rate of tax per thousand	\$20 80
Number of horses	122
Number of cows	470
Number of sheep	0
Number of neat cattle	69
Number of swine	0
Number of dwelling houses	334
Number of acres of land	10,900
Number of fowls assessed	3,395
Value of fowls assessed	\$4,430 00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. ALLEN,
HENRY W. GASKILL,
JOHN C. RIPLEY,

Assessors of Mendon.

Mendon, January 1, 1926.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1921.

DR.

To balance uncollected, Jan. 1, 1925...	\$24 50	
Interest	3 50	
	<u> </u>	\$28 00

CR.

By cash paid Town Treasurer	\$28 00	
	<u> </u>	\$28 00

1922.

DR.

To balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1925 ...	\$136 02	
Interest collected	9 00	
	<u> </u>	\$145 02

CR.

By cash paid Town Treasurer	\$116 92	
Uncollected	28 10	
	<u> </u>	\$145 02

1923.

DR.

To balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1925 ...	\$1,076 73	
Interest collected	56 85	
	<u> </u>	\$1,133 58

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CR.

By cash paid Town Treasurer	\$1,037 18	
Uncollected	96 40	
	<hr/>	\$1,133 58

1924.

DR.

To balance uncollected, Jan. 1, 1925 ..	\$4,441 13	
Interest	61 48	
	<hr/>	\$4,502 61
By cash paid Town Treasurer	\$3,586 04	
Uncollected	916 57	
	<hr/>	\$4,502 61

1925.

DR.

To taxes committed for Collection	\$24,603 52	
Polls taxes	674 00	
Additional assessments	12 19	
Additional collected for sale of land	69 50	
Interest collected	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$25,365 21

CR.

By cash paid Town Treasurer	\$17,696 36	
Uncollected	7,668 85	
	<hr/>	\$25,365 21

Respectfully submitted,

GLENVILLE C. COFFIN,

Collector of Taxes 1921-'22-'23-'24-'25.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

476 Main Street, Worcester, Mass.,

March 13, 1925.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, MENDON, MASS.

Gentlemen :—

The following is a list of the roads in the Town of Mendon, giving the names, approximate mileage, and the proportional allotment for each.

This allotment does not mean that this amount must be spent upon each road, but only enough to put the roads in a good passable condition, care being taken of the drainage, culverts, and brush work along the roads, with necessary repairs for the year.

In no case must the amount spent upon each road exceed the allotment unless it is absolutely necessary, in which case an order must first be obtained from the State Engineer before doing so.

All money, if any, saved during the year from these allotments may later be spent for permanent improvements where necessary.

MAIN ROADS.

No.	Name	Miles	Amount
1	North Ave.	2.2	\$220.00
2	Main	.3	50.00
4	Milford Rd. (State Highway)	.1	
5	Hastings (State Highway)		
14	Whitins St. (State Highway)	1.3	130.00
15	Uxbridge Rd. (State Highway)		
16	Maple St.	.4	40.00
29	Providence	3.2	300.00
37	Elm	.2	20.00
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			\$760.00

SECONDARY ROADS.

No.	Name	Miles	Amount
3	George St.	1.	\$75.00
6	Washington	1.	100.00
8	Hopedale	.6	50.00
17	Blackstone	3.1	300.00
19	Millville	3.2	250.00
20	Park	2.4	180.00
28	Emerson	.4	100.00
32	Hartford Ave.	2.1	110.00
33	Bates	1.1	100.00
35	Bellingham	1.3	100.00
10	Northbridge	1.6	300.00
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			\$1,665.00

BACK ROADS.

No.	Name	Miles	Amount
7	Miscoe	.6	\$25.00
9	Powers	.2	10.00
11	West Hill	.8	25.00
12	Morey	.7	20.00
13	Thornton	.6	150.00
18	Inman Hill	.4	15.00
21	Trask	.7	20.00
22	Carpenter Hill	.2	5.00
23	Pleasant	1.0	30.00
24	Asylum	1.1	35.00
25	Southwick	.6	50.00
26	Lovell	.6	15.00
27	Tower	.6	25.00
30	Quissett	.7	35.00
31	Cemetery	.5	15.00
34	Thayer	.6	15.00
36	Gaskill	.3	20.00
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			\$510.00

SUMMARY.

Alloted to Main Roads	\$760 00
Secondary Roads	1,665 00
Back Roads	510 00
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	\$2,935 00
Held in reserve until October 1	600 00
Held in reserve until November 1 repairs on air compressor	54 00
Oiling roads	900 00

General repairs	500 00
Balance not allotted	911 00
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	\$5,900 00
Town allotment	2,700 00
Town allotment for general repairs	500 00
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	\$3,200 00
State allotment	2,700 00
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	\$5,900 00

Yours truly,

R. A. VESPER.

Chapter 81 Assistant.

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January 1, 1926.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, MENDON, MASS.

Gentlemen:—

REPORT OF WORK DONE ON MENDON ROADS DURING THE YEAR 1925—UNDER CHAPTER 81.

Work began February 18, 1925.

1. North Avenue:

Scraped, dragged. Gravelled 90 ft. of roadway 12 ft. wide, 5 in. deep. Oiled 1.8 miles 16 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application. Used 6300 gals. road oil. Patched with Tarvia K. P.

2. Main Street:

Oiled .2 miles, 18 ft. wide, 1-4 gal. application. Used 772 gals. road oil. Patched with Tarvia K. P. Cleaned gutters.

3. George Street:

Scraped twice. Gravelled 445 ft. of roadway 9 ft.

wide, 5 in. deep. Laid 14 ft. of 12 in. corr. pipe culvert.

4. Milford Road:
Now State Road.
5. Hastings Street:
Now State Road.
6. Washington Street:
Scraped. Gravelled 925 ft. of roadway 10 ft. wide, 12 in. deep. Oiled .2 miles, 12 ft. wide, 1-2 gal. application. Used 568 gals. road oil.
7. Miscoe Street:
Scraped. Gravelled 240 ft. of roadway 9 ft. wide, 5 in. deep. Laid 24 ft. of 12 in. corr. pipe culvert.
8. Hopedale Street:
Scraped twice.
9. Powers Street:
No work done.
10. Northbridge Road:
Scraped by Town. The balance of work done on this road was done by the Miscoe Spring Water Co. Gravelled .5 miles 9 ft. wide, 8 in. deep. Cut brush on both sides of roadway and dragged. The Town paid \$300 on this work and the Miscoe Spring Water Co. paid the balance.
11. West Hill Road:
No work done.
12. Morey Road:
Scraped. Gravelled 275 ft. of roadway 5 in. deep, 9 ft. wide.
13. Thornton Street:
Scraped. Gravelled 850 ft. of roadway 9 ft. wide, 5 in. deep.
14. Whitin Street:
Scraped. Gravelled 725 ft. of roadway 10 ft. wide, 5 in. deep. Repaired culvert.
15. Uxbridge Road:
Now State Road.

16. Maple Street:
Scraped twice. Gravelled 60 ft. of roadway 12 ft. wide, 6 in. deep. Oiled .4 mile, 16 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application. Used 1348 gals. road oil. Patched with Tarvia K. P.
17. Blackstone Street:
Scraped. Gravelled 350 ft. of roadway 9 ft. wide, 5 in. deep. Oiled .7 mile, 12 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application. Used 1700 gals. road oil.
18. Inman Hill Road:
No work done.
19. Millville Road:
Scraped twice. Gravelled 525 ft. of roadway 9 ft. wide, 5 in. deep. Laid two 12 in. corr. pipe culverts each 24 ft. long.
20. Park Street:
Scraped. Gravelled 600 ft. of roadway 19 ft. wide, 5 in. deep.
21. Trask Street:
Scraped. Gravelled 140 ft. of roadway 9 ft. wide, 5 in. deep.
22. Carpenter Hill Road:
No work done.
23. Pleasant Street:
Scraped. Gravelled 140 ft. of roadway 9 ft. wide, 5 in. deep.
24. Asylum Street:
No work done.
25. Southwick Street:
Scraped and cleaned culverts.
26. Lovell Street:
Scraped.
27. Tower Street:
Scraped.
28. Emerson Street:
Scraped. Gravelled 475 ft. of roadway 9 ft. wide, 6 in. deep.

29. Providence Street:
Scraped twice. Gravelled 120 ft. of roadway 10 ft. wide, 5 in. deep. Oiled 1.3 miles, 16 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application. Used 6300 gals. road oil. Patched with Tarvia K. P.
30. Qissett Road:
Scraped. Gravelled 350 ft. of roadway 9 ft. wide, 5 in. deep.
31. Cemetery Road:
No work done.
32. Hartford Avenue:
Scraped twice. Gravelled 880 ft. of roadway 10 ft. wide, 6 in. deep. Laid 24 ft. of 12 in. corr. pipe culvert.
33. Bates Street:
Gravelled 1150 ft. of roadway 10 ft. wide, 5 in. deep.
34. Thayer Road:
No work done.
35. Bellingham Street:
Scraped.
36. Gaskill Street:
No work done.
37. Elm Street:
Scraped.

SUMMARY.

Miles Scraped	32.7 miles.
Gravel carted	1,945 cu. yds.
Feet of road gravelled	9,700 feet.
Miles road oiled	4.6 miles.
Gals. road oil used	16,988 gals.
Feet of 12 in. corr. pipe laid	110 ft.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. VESPER,
Chapter 81 Assistant.

TOOLS.

ON HAND IN TOWN OF MENDON, DECEMBER 1, 1925.

Name.	Number.
Augers	1
Push Brooms	1
Lanterns	2
Mattocks	1
Pails	1
Picks	3
Iron Bars	3
Rakes	1
Road Drags, split-log	1
Iron Drag	1
Road Machines, Austin Grader	1
Austin Blades	—
Sand Screens	1
Scythes	2
Snathes	2
Shovels, short rd.	6
Shovels, short sq.	1
Scoop Shovels	1

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. VESPER,

Chapter 81 Assistant.

AMOUNTS EXPENDED ON ROADS IN TOWN OF MENDON IN 1925

UNDER CHAPTER 81.

Road.	Amount.
1. North Avenue	\$350 41
2. Main	170 13
3. George .....	.....
4. Milford (now State road) .....	.....
5. Hastings (now state road)	6 75
6. Washington	295 52
7. Miscoe	53 13
8. Hopedale	5 77
9. Powers .....	.....
10. Northbridge	318 85
11. West Hill .....	.....
12. Morey	17 62
13. Thornton	286 33
14. Whitin	255 79
15. Uxbridge .....	.....
16. Maple	97 30
17. Blackstone	70 75
18. Inman Hill .....	.....
19. Millville	187 88
20. Park	257 25
21. Trask	33 20
22. Carpenter Hill .....	.....
23. Pleasant	14 75
24. Asylum .....	.....
25. Southwick .....	.....
26. Lovell .....	.....
27. Tower .....	.....
28. Emerson	154 29
29. Providence	418 36
30. Quissett	103 75
31. Cemetery .....	.....
32. Hartford	355 46
33. Bates	321 45

34. Thayer .....	.....
35. Bellingham	36 50
36. Gaskill .....	.....
37. Elm .....	.....
Culverts	73 44
Road Oil	1,372 00
Machinery Repairs	6 50
Tools	14 00
Tarvia K. P.	121 57
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	\$5,398 75
Town Allotments	\$2,700 00
State Allotments	2,700 00
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	\$5,400 00
Total Payrolls	\$1,925 54
Total Materials	3,473 21
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	\$5,398 75
Balance on hand	1 25
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	\$5,400 00

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. VESPER,

Chapter 81 Assistant.

CHAPTER 81.

Appropriation by the town	\$2,700 00	
Received from the State	2,445 13	
Due from the State	254 25	
Culverts sold	32 00	
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		\$5,431 38
The Barrett Co., 534 gallons Tarvia ..	\$109 47	
E. C. Barry, stone	2 50	
Texas Oil Co., road oil	1,372 00	
W. A. Barry, repairs	6 50	
Berger Manufacturing Co., culverts ..	73 44	
F. A. Gould, shovels and bolts	7 70	
B. F. Daley, 239 yards gravel	23 90	
Uxbridge Hardware Co., 4 shovels	6 30	
Joseph Saucier, freight	12 10	
Joseph Saucier, Superintendent	338 14	
Miscoe Spring Water Co., contract ...	300 00	
Joseph Saucier, 1326 yards gravel	1,818 90	
Joseph Saucier, 2½ ton truck	502 50	
Joseph Saucier, 1 ton truck	140 00	
Joseph Saucier, tractor	289 00	
Peter Allen, labor	32 50	
Fred Bertrand, labor	50 65	
William Munsell, labor	9 00	
Harold Carlstrom, labor	9 00	
Robert Hogarth, labor	4 05	
Wilfred Saucier, labor	19 10	
Harry Saucier, labor	42 35	
Earnest Barrows, labor	108 70	
Frank King, labor	35 05	
Earl Kempton, labor	68 90	
Edward Goss, labor	4 50	
Fred Saucier, labor	12 50	
Unexpended	32 63	
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		\$5,431 38

Tractor per hour	\$2 00
2½ ton truck per hour	2 50
5 ton truck per hour	3 50
1 ton truck per hour	1 00
Superintendent	62½
Labor	50

GENERAL REPAIRS.

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Transferred from Emergency fund	500 00	
Street Railway tax	14 15	
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		\$1,014 15
Catherine R. Seabury, 7 poles	\$35 00	
A. V. G. Pond, lumber	5 78	
A. V. G. Pond, lumber	20 50	
Frederick A. Gould, spikes	3 95	
Clark Ellis & Son, spikes	1 42	
Wm. A. Barry, repairs on scraper	8 50	
B. C. Wood, lumber	50 60	
Earnest Barrows, labor	8 00	
Fred Bertrand, labor	18 25	
Harold Cannon, labor	5 00	
Harry Saucier, labor	13 00	
Wilfred Saucier, labor	12 50	
Joseph Saucier, superintendent	96 88	
Joseph Saucier, labor and cash paid....	22 13	
Joseph Saucier, tractor	110 00	
Joseph Saucier, 2½ ton truck	70 00	
Joseph Saucier, 1 ton truck	42 50	
Joseph Saucier, 322 yards gravel	532 70	
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		\$1,056 71
Overdrawn		\$42 56

CHAPTER 90.

Appropriation from the Town	\$500 00	
Allotment from the County	1,000 00	
Allotment from the State	1,000 00	
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		\$2,500 00
Joseph Saucier, superintendent	\$137 50	
Joseph Saucier, 1,036 yards gravel at \$1.75	1,813 00	
Joseph Saucier, tractor	232 00	
Joseph Saucier, five ton truck	21 00	
Fred Saucier, labor	5 50	
Harry Saucier, labor	2 50	
Wilfred Saucier, labor	10 00	
Fred Bertrand, labor	43 00	
Earnest Barrows, labor	36 00	
Harold Carlstrom, labor	2 50	
Berger Manufacturing Co., culverts...	196 86	
Unexpended balance	14	
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		\$2,500 00

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH R. SAUCIER,

Supt. of Streets.

REPORT OF OVESEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit the following report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1925.

Appropriation		\$1,000 00
Paid Dept. of Public Welfare on account one person	\$37 00	
For partial support of one person in their home	59 53	
For support of one family in their home	187 05	
For support of one person in private home	409 55	
For support of one family, State case	290 34	
For support of one family for City of Boston	45 43	
For support of one person, State case	44 00	
For support of one person, temporary aid	11 91	
	<hr/>	\$1,084 81
Overdrawn		84 81
Due from Department Public Welfare	\$305 01	
Due from City of Boston	45 43	
Net cost of Town Poor	\$734 37	
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J. C. RIPLEY,
J. F. M. ALDRICH,
WILLIAM A. BARRY,

Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

DOGS LICENSED IN 1925.

151 Males and spayed females	\$302 00	
27 Females	135 00	
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Less Clerk's fees		35 60
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Cash paid County Treasurer		\$401 40

HUNTING AND FISHING CERTIFICATES ISSUED FROM JAN. 1 TO DEC. 1, 1925.

Resident Citizen's combination certificates at \$2.00 each	36	\$72 00
Resident Citizen's hunting and trapping at \$1.50 each	25	37 50
Resident Citizen's fishing certificates at \$1.00 each	15	15 00
Non-resident combination certificates at \$10.00 each	3	30 00
Non-resident fishing certificates at \$2.00 each	1	2 00
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		\$156 50
Fees retained by Clerk		20 00
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Amount paid Division Fisheries and Game		\$136 50

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1925.

Date of Birth 1925.	Name of Child.	Parents with Maiden Name of Mother.
Jan. 29.	Everett Chester Darling	Irving Chester and Gladys Lillian Pinkham
Feb. 2.	Norry Joseph Daige, Jr.	Norry Joseph and Marion D. Bartlett
Feb. 11.	Alfreda Jennie Bandilla	Stephen and Veronica Winaska
Feb. 13.	Marston Daley	Raymond L. and Verena R. Springer
Feb. 16.	Richard Clayton Hogarth	John S. and Elizabeth F. Smith
Feb. 27.	Edward Joseph Bertrand	Wilfred J. and Josephine F. Saucier
Mar. 10.	Norman Joseph Saucier	Wilfred A. and Josephine Ouilette
Mar. 21.	Gloria Hazel Pinkham	Melvin E. and Mary E. Darling
April 3.	Claire Elizabeth Saucier	Alfred R. and Elizabeth Spoonhauer
April 22.	Virginia Steere Moore	Walter F. Moore and Marion Steere
April 28.	Kathryn Elizabeth Sweeney	Charles S. and Annie Livingston
May 17.	Elizabeth Isabelle Miller	Ernest F. Jr. and Florence McDonald
June 7.	Ruth Elizabeth Dalton	Arthur P. and Irene M. Mathewson
July 16.	Helen Etta Brown	Berton G. and Ethel Alexander
July 26.	Doris Virginia Wilber	Carl M. and Nellie Tucker
Aug. 6.	Alice Marie Anastas	George and Mildred Garrup
Oct. 4.	William Joseph Quirk	Patrick F. and Elizabeth B. Payne
Nov. 25.	Robinson	W. Arthur and Stella M. Henry
Dec. 1.	Robert John Rosetti	Joseph and Kara Bracci

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1925.

Date of Marriage 1925.	Names.	Residence.
April 20.	William Francis Shurick	Millville, Mass.
	Irene May Lamothe	Mendon, Mass.
April 16.	Hanson Leroy Craddock	Mendon, Mass.
	Annie Cooper	Mendon, Mass.
April 27.	Edward James Kilkenney, Jr.	Mendon, Mass.
	Sadie Christina Gorman	Milford, Mass.
June 22.	Edward Leo Grady	Uxbridge, Mass.
	Martina Walsh Barry	Mendon, Mass.
June 22.	Harold Alton Rogers	Mendon, Mass.
	Bertha Margaret Beal	Mendon, Mass.
June 30.	Harold Freeman Lowell	Mendon, Mass.
	Charlotte Etta Marlow	Mendon, Mass.
July 24.	Ralph George Delana	Hopedale, Mass.
	Alba. Sabattinelli	Mendon, Mass.
Aug. 14.	Henry Otis Darling	Mendon, Mass.
	Mildred May Winchell	Uxbridge, Mass.
Sept. 17.	Charles Frank Shuber	Upton, Mass.
	Adalina Geanette Pettenelli	Mendon, Mass.
Sept. 9.	Carleton Lewis Goss	Mendon, Mass.
	Viola Lida Simpson	Woonsocket, R. I.
Oct. 17.	William Francis Irons, Jr.	Mendon, Mass.
	Helen Fiske	Uxbridge, Mass.
Oct. 20.	Clarence Leroy Saunders	Mendon, Mass.
	Mabel Aurilla Payne	Mendon, Mass.
Oct. 24.	Frank Fleetwood Care	Mendon, Mass.
	Eunice Inez Belcher	Milford, Mass.
Dec. 25.	Lloyd Augustus Whiting	Mendon, Mass.
	Avis Pearl Harquail	Winterport, Maine

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1925.

Date of Death 1925.	Names.	Y	Age	
			M	D
Jan. 7.	Elvira Thayer	75	—	—
Jan. 29.	Jarvis Thayer	78	9	27
Feb. 23.	Alice Augusta Taft	68	6	20
Mar. 8.	Mary Etta Fickett	72	11	7
Mar. 10.	John Hogarth	64	—	—
April 14.	Elizabeth R. Goodell	84	0	3
April 19.	Roland Clayton Hogarth	0	2	3
April 23.	Michael F. Broughey	78	—	—
May 21.	Jacob Herman Stusse	54	—	19
April 29.	Roberta Robinson	—	11	14
July 7.	Mary A. Broughey	65	—	23
Sept. 5.	Joseph Paquith	73	4	30
Sept. 22.	Louis Benard	66	—	—
Oct. 10.	Elizabeth Eldora Stowers	69	0	8
Nov. 25.	——— Robinson	5 minutes		
Dec. 26.	Laura Jane Day Nutter	82	—	6

If errors or omissions are discovered in the lists of Births, Marriages or Deaths, report them to the Town Clerk that the record may be corrected.

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained of the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. ALLEN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1926.

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, GENTLEMEN :—

At a Special Meeting of your Board August 11, 1925 the undersigned were appointed Engineers in persuance of a vote of the Town August 1, 1925. On August 12 your Engineers met and organized as follows:

George M. Aldrich, Chief, Raymond L. Daley, Assistant Chief,
and Wm. A. Barry, Clerk.

Your Engineers at once went to work to organize a fire company. The following public spirited young men were chosen and entered into the work with a will and vigor worthy of all commendation:

Chester C. Shattuck,	Kinsley Barnes,
Roy A. Barrows,	Norry Daige,
Harold Lowell,	Harold C. Barrows.

It became necessary to make changes in the Fire House on account of changes in equipment. A chimney had to be built. Storm windows put on. A coal bin made. Locker and Stove supplied. Likewise a thorough renovation given the building in order that the apparatus housed would be at all times ready to function.

We herewith take pleasure in publicly thanking all those, who, by material assistance and counsel assisted your Engineers in the duties undertaken by them.

In order that the Town might more readily get a re-rating of insurance rates and that the citizens in general be benefited thereby your Engineers after consulting with some of the lead-

ing citizens deemed it wise to take advantage of an offer made by a leading concern manufacturing Fire Sirens to install a Siren on two months' trial free of cost.

Considering the advantage such a signal would be to the school children during inclement weather (as a no school warning) besides the time saved in case of fire, your Engineers strongly recommend its purchase.

Your Engineers desire it to be known that they will gladly receive suggestions with a view to improving the department in any way and that visitors are welcome to inspect the Fire House and Equipment.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Special appropriation		\$500 00
Paid Acme Rubber Co., hose	\$15 43	
H. M. Curtiss Coal Co., lumber	10 98	
Daily News, printing	2 00	
W. P. Jones Electric Co., supplies ..	4 09	
W. D. Mann & Co., acid	8 60	
E. L. Sabatinelli, building chimney..	41 00	
Clark Ellis & Son, supplies	9 79	
Albert Sears, janitor	16 00	
James Lilley, signs	4 75	
Clark Ellis & Sons, supplies	7 52	
American LaFrance Engine Co., supplies	3 00	
Wm. A. Barry, stock and labor	4 50	
American Fire Equipment Co., repairs and supplies	57 56	
Casey Auto Supply, tire, chains and tubes	19 10	
Harold C. Barrows, painting Fire House	25 00	
Barney Coal Co., 1 ton coal	16 50	

C. C. Shattuck, soda	14 10	
Pay Roll Harold Wheeler, fire	12 00	
F. M. Aldrich, labor	35 00	
F. M. Aldrich, storm windows	4 40	
Harold Lowell, labor on chemical ..	1 00	
Geo. M. Aldrich, labor on chemical doors	4 00	
Geo. M. Aldrich, 1 tire	23 76	
Geo. M. Aldrich, stove	23 50	
Geo. M. Aldrich, labor and supplies	11 03	
Unexpended balance	125 39	
	<hr/>	\$500 00

GEORGE M. ALDRICH,
RAYMOND L. DALEY,
WM. A. BARRY,

Engineers.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

CUTTING BRUSH.

Special appropriation		\$300 00
Paid William Munsell	\$88 50	
Francis Morrisson	88 50	
Carl Wilbur	84 50	
Norry Daige	9 00	
Issiah Bartlett	10 00	
Frank King	9 00	
Unexpended balance	10 50	
		\$300 00

GENERAL WORK.

Appropriation		\$100 00
Paid W. A. Barry stock and labor		
bolling tree	\$3 50	
Frederick Gould, 3 scythes, 3 snaths,		
3 stones	12 25	

PAY ROLL.

Norry Daige	\$8 00
W. Munsell	4 00
F. Morrisson	4 00
H Metcalf	3 00
Henry Bouchard	3 00
F. H. Wood	8 00

H. S. Wood	10 00	
Issiah Bartlett	6 00	
James Smith	10 00	
Unexpended balance	28 25	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. WOOD,

Tree Warden.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

It is very gratifying to note that our library is becoming more and more each year, a place of service. It is not only looking after the interests of individuals who come there from week to week, it is going further, it is interesting our children by furnishing the proper material to arouse their minds and surround them with a true educational atmosphere.

The grounds about the building have been thoroughly cleaned and the lawn newly seeded. We would ask the hearty co-operation of our townspeople that the place may be kept attractive.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK M. ALDRICH, Chairman,
EDWARD F. BLOOD, Secretary,
LENA W. GEORGE,
GEORGE H. PICKARD,
CARROLL H. DROWN,

Trustees of Taft Public Library.

Finance Committee Report.

Report of the Finance Committee of the Taft Public Library
for the year ending Dec. 31, 1925.

RESOURCES—GENERAL FUND.

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Fines	26 82	
	<hr/>	\$526 82

EXPENDITURES.

De Wolfe & Fiske Co., books	\$108 23	
Ginn & Co., books.....	21 61	
H. W. Wilson, books	7 00	
H. W. Wilson, catalogue	1 00	
Dura Binding Co., binding	1 30	
Superior Metal Products Co., supplies..	20 00	
Gaylord Bros., supplies	24 05	
H. O. Houghton, magazines	37 00	
Verena R. Daley, salary	200 00	
Joseph Dudley, labor and supplies	57 00	
L. E. Taft, wood	36 00	
Balance	13 63	
	<hr/>	\$526 82

GEORGE H. PICKARD,

Finance Committee.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY:—

The circulation for the year (103 days) was 8,441 volumes. The largest number given out in one day was 150, the smallest 34, the average 82. The circulation by classes was as follows: Fiction, 6,390; Magazines, 1,528; Bound Magazines, 40; Biography, 98; Travel, 41; History, 116; Literature, 73; Useful and Fine Arts, 87; Science, 29; all others, 39.

There are 6,936 volumes in the library. 164 volumes have been added the past year and 4 volumes have been taken out as they were worn out. 110 were bought by the Town and 54 were given as follows:

Clayton Brown, 6; Secretary of the Commonwealth, 5; Lillian Sawyer, 6; Mrs. F. K. Brown, 1; Library Commission, 15; Frances Coffin, 1; Joe Mullen, 3; R. Sinclair, 1; Anonymous, 15; by binding, 1.

The library subscribes for the American, Asia, Boy's Life, Century, Country Gentleman, Field and Stream, Harper's Monthly, Ladies' Home Journal, Life, Literary Digest, National Geographic, Radio News, Saturday Evening Post, Scribner's, St. Nicholas, and Woman's Home Companion. The Library Commission sends the American Boy, Good Housekeeping, Popular Mechanics and the World's Work. The Atlantic Monthly, Everybody's, Farmer's Wife, Dumb Animals and National Republic are given.

Tuesday afternoons during the summer some of the children cut out pictures from old magazines at the Library. These were pasted in scrapbooks and may be taken home by the children for one week. These are enjoyed by the small children who cannot read but like to look at pictures.

Due to the teachers, the High School pupils have used the library much more this year than in the past few years. This is very gratifying and the librarian is only too glad to help all. A dozen books at a time are loaned to the Grammar School teacher for the use of the pupils.

\$26.82 was received in fines during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

VERENA R. DALEY,

Librarian.

Mendon, January 1, 1926.

BOOKS ADDED IN 1925.

Fiction:—

- ✓ All-wool Morrison. Holman Day.
- Bright Shawl. J. Hergesheimer.
- ✓ Cabin Fever. B. M. Bower.
- ✓ Cappy Ricks. Peter B. Kyne.
- ✓ Chip of the Flying U. B. M. Bower.
- ✓ Cup of Silence. A. J. Rees.
- ✓ Empty Hands. Arthur Stringer.
- ✓ Empty Sack. Basil King.
- Fascinating Stranger. B. Tarkington.
- ✓ Forsyte Saga. John Galsworthy.
- ✓ Fourteenth Key. Carolyn Wells.
- ✓ Gentleman of Courage. J. O. Curwood.
- Glorious Apollo. E. Barrington.
- High Forfeit. Basil King.
- ✓ In a Shantung Garden. L. J. Miln.
- ✓ Inevitable Millionaires. E. P. Oppenheim.

- ✓ Invisible Woman. Herbert Quick.
- Iron Horse. E. C. Hill.
- John Macnab. John Buchan.
- Katrine. E. M. Lane.
- Kenworthys. Margaret Wilson.
- ✓ Little French Girl. A. D. Sedgwick.
- ✓ Middle of Things. J. S. Fletcher.
- ✓ Mr. Pratt. J. C. Lincoln.
- Monsieur Beaucaire. B. Tarkington.
- Mystery of Red Marsh Farm. A. Marshall.
- Never the Twain Shall Meet. P. B. Kyne.
- Pam at Fifty. Baroness Von Hutten.
- ✓ Passage to India. E. M. Forster.
- Perennial Bachelor. Anne Parrish.
- Power and the Glory. Gilbert Parker.
- Prize Stories of 1924. O. Henry.
- Queer Judson. J. C. Lincoln.
- Red Lamp. M. R. Rinehart.
- Red of the Redfields. G. Richmond.
- Rugged Waters. J. C. Lincoln.
- ✓ Sard Harker. John Masefield.
- ✓ So Big. Edna Ferber.
- Son of His Father. H. B. Wright.
- ✓ Spinster of This Parish. W. B. Maxwell.
- ✓ Spirit of the Border. Zane Grey.
- ✓ Temescal. H. H. Knibbs.
- Vanishing American. Zane Grey.
- ✓ Vanishing of Betty Varian. C. Wells.
- Voice from the Dark. E. Phillpotts.
- ✓ White Monkey. John Galsworthy.
- Wild Geese. Martha Ostenso.
- ✓ Wilderness Mine. H. Bindloss.
- Women. B. Tarkington.

Juveniles:—

- Adventures of Ulysses. Charles Lamb.
 American Song Book. C. H. Levermore.
 Benj. Franklin, His Life. D. H. Montgomery.
 Boat Club. Oliver Optic.
 Boy Aviators' Polar Dash. Capt. W. Lawton.
 Boys and Girls of Wake-up Town. A. T. & J. M. Address.
 Boys of Columbia High in Camp. G. B. Forbes.
 Cadet of the Black Star Line. R. D. Paine.
 Captain Dan Richards. E. T. Tomlinson.
 Constructive English. F. K. Ball.
 Cornet of Horse. G. A. Henty.
 Courageous Girls.
 Cyr's Graded Art Readers, 2 and 3. E. Cyr.
 Dolly's Doings. A. George.
 Down the Big River. S. W. Meader.
 Elements of General Science. Eikenberry.
 Emily Climbs. L. M. Montgomery.
 Field's Primer, First, Second, Advanced Second and Third
 Readers.
 Five Little Peppers Grown Up. M. Sidney.
 Frank, the Young Naturalist. H. Castlemon.
 Friends and Rivals. A. S. Pier.
 Further Adventures of Lad. A. P. Terhune.
 Grimm's Fairy Tales. I and II. Sara Wiltse.
 Hapgood's School Needlework. E. J. Spooner.
 Happy Children Reader. I and II. Pennell.
 Helps for the Study of Our Constitution.
 G. A. Turkington.
 How and Where We Live. N. B. Allen.
 In the Wasp's Nest. C. T. Brady.
 Journey to Health Land. A. T. & J. M. Address.
 Legends every child Should Know. H. W. Mabie.
 Life in the Greenwood. M. F. Lansing.
 Little Maid of Bunker Hill. A. T. Curtis.
 Little Plays for Little People. Noyes and Ray.

- Magic Casements. Wiggin and Smith.
 Merry O. Ethel Hueston.
 Motor Boys in the Army. Clarence Young.
 Oral English. J. M. Brewer.
 Outlines of American Literature. W. J. Long.
 Poems of Today. A. C. Cooper.
 Polaris. Ernest Baynes.
 Poppy Seed Cakes. Margery Clark.
 Posy Ring. Wiggin and Smith.
 Questers of the Desert J. W. Shultz.
 Radio for Amateurs. A. H. Verrill.
 Real Stories of the Geography Makers. J. T. Faris.
 Resources and Industries of the U. S. E. F. Fisher.
 Rip Van Winkle. Washington Irving.
 St. Nicholas. Volume 50, Part II.
 Seven Little Sisters. Jane Andrews.
 Shasta of the Wolves. Olaf Baker.
 Silver Tarn. Katharine Adams.
 Songs of Childhood. Giddings and Newton.
 Stories Mother Nature Told Her Children. Jane Andrews.
 Story of Grenfell of the Labrador. D. Wallace.
 Sunshine Primer. Noyes and Guild.
 Tales of Old England. M. F. Lansing.
 Ten Boys from History. K. D. Sweetser.
 Ten Boys Who Lived on the Road from Long Ago
 to Now. Jane Andrews.
 Ten Girls from History. K. D. Sweetser.
 Thunder Boy. Olaf Baker.
 Thundering Herd. Zane Grey.
 Tom Slade at Black Lake. P. K. Fitzhugh.
 United States. Nellie Allen.
 When We Were Very Young. A. A. Milne.
 With Boone on the Frontier. Capt. R. Bonehill.
 With Custer in the Black Hills. Capt. R. Bonehill.
 Wreck of the Sea Lion. W. O. Stoddard.

Non-Fiction:—

- Ariel. Andre Maurois.
 Art Philosopher's Cabinet. G. L. Raymond.
 Ballads and Other Poems. G. L. Raymond.
 Beasts, Men and Gods. F. Ossendowski.
 Best Plays of 1924 and 1925. Ed. by Burns Mantel.
 Birds of Massachusetts. E. H. Forbush.
 Commonsense of Health. S. M. Rinehart.
 Constitution of the United States. J. M. Beck.
 Dante and Collected Verse. G. L. Raymond.
 Essentials of Aesthetics. G. L. Raymond.
 Ethics and Natural Law. G. L. Raymond.
 Gateway to Goodwill.
 Greater America. Ralph D. Paine.
 Handbook of Chemistry and Physics. C. D. Hodgman.
 Has the North Pole Been Discovered. T. F. Hall.
 Heap O'Livin'. Edgar A. Guest.
 Life and Letters of Walter H. Page, Volume III.
B. J. Hendrick.
 Life in Song. G. L. Raymond.
 Life of Abraham Lincoln. Volumes I and II.
W. E. Barton.
 My Memories of Eighty Years. C. M. Depew.
 Mysterious Japan. Julian Street.
 Nantucket, Vital Records.
 New England. George French.
 Our Presidents. James Morgan.
 Poetry as a Representative Art. G. L. Raymond.
 Poets' Cabinet. G. L. Raymond.
 Portrait of a Publisher. Grant Overton.
 Ports and Happy Places. C. S. Parker.
 Radio for Everybody. A. C. Lescarbourea.
 Rockport. Vital Records.
 Saint Joan. Bernard Shaw.
 Salem. Vital Records. Volumes 5 and 6.
 Temple Bells and Silver Sails. E. C. Enders.

Twenty-five Years. Volumes I and II. Viscount Grey.

What Are You Going to Be? H. Hawksworth.

With Lawernce in Arabia. Lowell Thomas.

Your Washington and Mine. L. P. Latimer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

This is to certify that as Auditor for the Town of Mendon for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1925, I have examined the books of all the Town Officers and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH W. COFFIN,

Auditor.

Mendon, Mass., Feb. 2, 1926.

THE WILLIAMS-HAYWARD FREE BED.

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF MENDON :—

Dear Sirs:

The Milford Hospital has received a donation of \$10,000 from Wendell Williams and his wife, Sylvia Hayward Williams, for the maintenance of the Williams-Hayward Free Bed, as a memorial to their fathers, Gustavus B. Williams and William E. Hayward.

The conditions of the gift are as follows:

“The fund shall be perpetually held, and the income used for the maintenance of a free bed for the use of residents of the towns of Uxbridge or Mendon, Massachusetts, who are in need of hospital care or treatment and are unable to pay or provide the usual hospital charges without hardship. The designation of those entitled to such free use shall be left to the Selectmen of the respective towns, or to such officers thereof as shall at the time being be charged with duties similar to those now imposed by law upon Boards of Selectmen.”

This donation has been accepted by the Hospital and the free bed established, and it is now available to such residents of our town as come within the conditions.

Our town is very fortunate in having such a generous consideration to any worthy cases that will be brought to the attention of the Selectmen will have their immediate attention.

FRANK M. ALDRICH,
WILLIAM A. BARRY,
JOHN C. RIPLEY,

Selectmen of Mendon.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON

FOR THE

SCHOOL YEAR 1925

ORGANIZATION OF
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 1925.

ROY A. BARROWS, Secretary	Term expires 1926.
MRS. ANNIE COFFIN,	Term expires 1927.
GEORGE H. PICKARD, Chairman	Term expires 1928.

SUPERINTENDENT.

CARROLL H. DROWN.

TRUANT OFFICER.

JACOB R. BROWN.

SCHOOL NURSE.

MARY L. WILSON, R. N.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

DR. K. A. CAMPBELL.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

RESOURCES FOR CURRENT EXPENSES.

General Appropriation	\$14,000 00	
Appropriation for School Physician ..	50 00	
Appropriation for School Nurse	200 00	
From County Treasurer, Dog Tax ...	343 14	
Total		\$14,593 14
*Total Amount Expended		14,113 53
Balance		\$479 61

REIMBURSEMENTS.

From General School Fund, Part 1 ..	\$1,220 65	
From General School Fund, Part II ..	2,564 41	
For Superintendent's Salary	386 67	
For High School Grant	512 50	
For Tuition from State	648 35	
For Tuition from City of Boston	78 71	
Total		\$5,411 29
Amount received for tuition for Vocational Education		\$75 00

*Accounts of Tuition for Vocational School and Painting Center Building are given at the close of this Financial Report. Amount expended on these not included in above total.

SUMMARY.

Resources		\$14,593 14
Reimbursements	\$5,411 29	
Balance	479 61	
	<hr/>	\$5,890 90
Net Cost of the Schools to the Town from Direct Taxation		<hr/> \$8,702 24

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EXPENSES.

Teachers	\$8,721 72	
Superintendent	823 87	
Wm. H. Jordan (Clerk)	102 60	
Transportation	1,202 00	
Fuel	997 92	
Care of Buildings	906 35	
Text Books	371 05	
Supplies	327 91	
Miscellaneous	70 22	
Repairs	186 49	
Committee Expense	20 00	
Health	250 00	
Tuition (Millville)	50 00	
New Equipment	83 40	
Total Expenditures	<hr/>	\$14,113 53

CURRENT EXPENSES ITEMIZED.

Teachers' Salaries		\$8,721 72
Oscar L. Garland	\$1,940 00	
Madeleine Brown	375 00	
Marguerite McIntyre	816 25	
Albert W. Sampson	787 50	
Orilla F. Park	460 80	

Marguerite Pearson	1,073 37	
Alice Ritz	693 00	
Caroline Blackwood	360 00	
Lillian Martin	1,012 80	
Jessie Hitchcock	588 00	
Minnie Davidson	340 00	
Beulah Thompson	275 00	
Text Books		\$371 05
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	\$12 31	
Oliver Ditson Co.	6 09	
World Book Co.	4 21	
D. C. Heath & Co.	71 33	
Rand, McNally Co.	24 87	
Silver Burdett & Co.	14 91	
Ginn & Co.	14 61	
Lyons & Carnahan	25 13	
Hinds, Haydn & Eldredge	9 71	
MacMillan Co.	35 72	
Scott Foresman Co.	7 94	
Allyn & Bacon	20 54	
C. C. Birchard Co.	14 72	
Benj. Sanborn Co.	18 98	
American Book Co.	6 45	
C. H. Drown	3 00	
F. M. Ambrose Co.	83	
Edw. E. Babb & Co.	22 70	
Cable Co.	2 00	
F. E. Compton Co.	55 00	
Supplies		\$327 91
J. L. Hammett & Co.	111 63	
Edw. E. Babb & Co.	9 61	
Dowling School Supply Co.	17 59	
J. J. Gibbs	50	
Ryan & Buker	22 72	
H. C. Forbes	11 75	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins	19 58	
F. A. Owen Co.	2 52	

C. H. Drown	7 11	
Charlescraft Press	15 00	
Mass. Reformatory	7 78	
Harris & Gilpatrick	19 56	
Shaw Walker Co.	28	
W. C. Mattison	3 50	
Fuller & Wilson (Ex. & Trucking) ..	7 00	
C. C. Shattuck	35	
Wright & Potter	1 23	
H. S. Chadbourne	1 20	
Thos. Groom & Co.	26 17	
L. E. Knott App. Co.	14 00	
Milton Bradley Co.	14 86	
H. I. Dallman	9 90	
World Book Co.	4 07	
Care of Buildings		\$906 35
Jacob Brown	\$686 00	
Sumner Allen	91 85	
Minnie Thayer	106 00	
Mrs. Benj. Peterson	7 00	
Frank Grant	15 50	
Fuel		\$997 92
H. M. Curtiss Co.	\$907 92	
E. E. Chapman	90 00	
Miscellaneous		\$70 22
Worcester Suburban Electric	\$9 25	
C. H. Drown (Post., Tel., etc.)	21 72	
E. E. Chapman (Census)	5 00	
H. C. Forbes (Printing)	31 25	
A. W. Sears	1 00	
Jos. Dudley	2 00	
Repairs		\$186 49
E. T. Powers	\$30 30	
H. E. Wheeler	1 50	
H. S. Chadbourne	5 65	
Geo. B. Sanderson	60 00	
H. C. Barrows	10 50	

H. M. Curtiss (Lumber)	6 89	
Jos. Saucier	9 00	
W. P. Jones	2 50	
F. C. Townsend	44 50	
J. R. Brown (Pd. Paint)	15 65	
Health		\$250 00
District Nursing Association	\$200 00	
K. A. Campbell, M. D.	50 00	
Transportation		\$1,202 00
M. & U. St. Ry. Co.	\$150 00	
Carl M. Taft	432 00	
Frank Leonard	504 00	
Stephen Bandilla	116 00	
Tuition—Millville		\$50 00
New Equipment		\$83 40
J. L. Hammett Co.	\$12 65	
Chas. Kimball (Trucking)	3 25	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins	45 00	
Mass. Reformatory	22 50	
Wm. Jordan (Clerk)		\$102 60
Superintendent		823 87
Committee Expense		20 00
Total Current Expenses	—————	\$14,113 53

ACCOUNT OF TUITION FOR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL.

Appropriation	\$300 00
Paid Worcester Trade School	167 85
Balance on hand	\$132 15

ACCOUNT OF PAINTING.

Appropriation	\$525 00	
P. E. Johnson (Paid)	370 00	
	<hr/>	
Balance on hand	\$155 00	
Grand Total Resources	\$15,418 14	
Grand Total Expenditures	14,651 38	
Total balance	<hr/>	\$766 76

SCHOOL DIRECTORY.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

George H. Pickard, Chairman	Term Expires 1928
Roy A. Barrows, Secretary	Term Expires 1926
Mrs. Annie Coffin	Term Expires 1927

TEACHERS.

CENTER BUILDING.

Grade	Name	Local Address	Preparation	Years of Service in Town
High—Science	Oscar L. Garland,	Mendon	N.H. State College	Fourth
Math., U. S. Hist.,	Principal			
Eng., Language,	Marguerite MacIntyre	Mendon	Mt. Holyoke, B. U.	Second
History			School of Education	
VI, VII, VIII	Orilla F. Park	Mendon	Castleton, Vt. Normal	First
III, IV, V	Marguerite Pearson	Milford	Worcester Normal	Second
I, II	Caroline Blackwood	Mendon	Woonsocket High	First
ALBEEVILLE BUILDING.				
I-VIII	Minnie Davidson	Millbury	Worcester Normal	First

I-VIII

EAST MENDON BUILDING.

Lillian M. Martin	Hopedale	Framingham Normal	Fourth
	MUSIC SUPERVISOR.		
Beulah C. Thompson	Milford	N.E. Conservatory	Fifth
	50 Bancroft Ave.		

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER.

Mrs. Raymond Daley Mendon

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

K. A. Campbell, M.D. Hopedale
Tel. Milford 102

SCHOOL NURSE.

Mary L. Wilson, R.N. Milford
Tel. Milford 862

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Carroll H. Drown Hopedale
Tel., Office
Milford 904
Residence
Milford 802-J

Center Building

Albeeville

East Mendon

Jacob Brown

Sumner Allen

Mrs. Minnie Thayer

JANITORS.

Mendon

Mendon

South Milford

Tel. Milford 374-5

North Route

East Route

Carl M. Taft

J. Frank Leonard

BARGE DRIVERS.

Mendon

Milford, R. F. D.

EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATIONAL CERTIFICATES GRANTED AT Office of the Supt. of Schools, Hopedale, on School Days—8.00 A. M. to 5.00 P. M.

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held in the School Building on the first Monday of each month
at 7:15 P. M.

SCHOOL CALENDAR.

1926.

ELEMENTARY GRADES.

WINTER TERM.

Opens January 4, Closes March 19 (11 weeks)
(Vacation Two Weeks.)

SPRING TERM.

Opens April 5, Closes June 11 (10 weeks.)
(Summer Vacation.)

FALL TERM.

Opens September 7, Closes December 17 (15 weeks.)
(Vacation Two Weeks.)

1927.

WINTER TERM.

Opens January 3, Closes March 18 (11 weeks.)
(Vacation Two Weeks.)

HIGH SCHOOL.

1926.

WINTER TERM.

Opens December 28, 1925, Closes March 26, 1926. (13 weeks.)
(Vacation One Week.)

SPRING TERM.

Opens April 5, Closes June 25. (12 weeks.)
(Summer Vacation.)

FALL TERM.

Opens September 7, Closes December 17. (15 weeks.)
(Vacation One Week.)

1927.

WINTER TERM.

Opens December 27, Closes March 25, 1927. (13 weeks.)
(Vacation One Week.)

LEGAL HOLIDAYS.

Labor Day, Columbus Day, Thanksgiving Day, January 1, February 22, April 19 and May 30. There will be no session of schools on the Friday following Thanksgiving Day. When a holiday comes on Sunday the following Monday becomes a holiday.

The town cannot have any "No School Signal." Schools will not be closed on account of weather unless it is practically impossible or unreasonable for children to attend. When parents feel that it is unwise for their children to go to school, they are advised to keep them at home. On all other days children must attend school as required by law.

IMPORTANT REGULATIONS.

A regulation of the School Department is that no child can enter school for the first time unless such child shall become six years of age on or before January 1, of the year following the fall term when he wishes to enter school. (For entrance to

school this coming fall term a child must be six years of age on or before January 1, 1927.)

ATTENDANCE LAWS.

Every child from seven to fourteen years of age unless he is physically or mentally unfit, and until he is sixteen years of age unless he has completed the sixth grade, shall attend school all the time it is in session. Every child from fourteen to sixteen years of age shall attend school unless such child has received an employment certificate and is regularly employed according to law for at least six hours per day.

All minors under sixteen working in towns or cities which maintain Continuation Schools, must attend the Continuation Schools as prescribed by law.

If a child fails to attend school according to law for seven day sessions or fourteen half day sessions the child shall be considered an habitual truant and may be sent to a truant school.

If a parent or guardian fails to cause the child under his charge to attend school according to law he shall be fined not over twenty dollars for each offence.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND CITIZENS OF MENDON:—

We have previously discussed the purpose of the school report, and the value of it we cannot discuss; but the purpose of schools of which reports speak may well be discussed and should be well understood.

The present day school has become so complex, so ornated and so embellished that it is difficult to recognize the original institution which was founded with a definite purpose in the early history of our country.

Like the evolution of the early, simple, crude ox-cart to the present day beautiful limousine with all its appointments, driven by the complex efficient motor, the present day school system with its complexity of enriched curricula, elaborate buildings and numerous conveniences and luxuries is far different from the early school of the "Little Red School House" days.

The purpose and fundamental principle of operation of the present day automobile is the same as that of the ox-cart. Both are vehicles of locomotion being either pulled or pushed. So the purpose of the school of today should be the same as the early school, to give training for meeting the demands of life, and the fundamental principles of operation are the same. Since the demands of life have greatly increased, the means of training must be greatly increased.

The value of the automobile of today rests in its worth as a vehicle of rapid transportation.

The school is an institution for a rapid training for life's duties. Experience is a more effective teacher than theory, but it is also much more cumbersome, often entailed with great danger and usually requires more time. In school though the

method of instruction must be, to an extent, theoretical, more knowledge of facts and reasoning can be gained in the same time than by experience. The laboratory method which is being rapidly adopted adds the advantage of experimental instruction to the long established theoretical.

The modern school with all its advantages may not give a more thorough training than that of the old school, but it gives a broader training and does it in less time. The time element is very important in these days of haste.

Children of today of any given age, have a broader insight into world affairs and larger general knowledge than children of years ago. This condition necessarily exists. The present day world demands a much larger general knowledge, so a training for it is essential.

Our schools will require no more extended equipment nor enlargement of training facilities than the complexity of society and progress of the times demand. The demands of progress are always ahead of the supplies for meeting those demands.

It is neither schools nor school officials and educators who are making the demands for new curricula and added phases of instruction in the schools; it is rather the conditions of society. The great increase in the varied activities of life of necessity demands training not only for the performances of these multiple activities, but also for a true comprehension and appreciation of them.

The American public deserves to give its children the best possible education. Much has been done for the material side of living, but there has been a neglect in the education for the aesthetic side, and in training for the right spirit of life.

We should realize that school training must include something more than the committing of facts and figures of ordinary school subjects, but rather a knowledge of how to keep well, how to be happy and contented; right use of leisure; good home and community atmosphere; cultivation of a right taste and true evaluation of social customs and habits.

Schools cannot develop brains nor make intelligence, but they can and should train for the foundation of right habits. Habits are essential elements of life. Some one has said that the chief aims of schools are to train children to become self-controlled, self-directed, self-supporting, intelligent citizens.

This training in the schools ought to carry over into the home and society.

In a government where all political power is derived from the people through the means of universal suffrage, it is essential that the electorate shall be educated. Education for the whole people is essential. A nation of ignorant subjects may be ruled by one capable despot, but in order that a self-governing nation shall succeed, the whole people must be rightly educated.

When education becomes a menace to good government and the welfare of society, it becomes a crime and is worse than ignorance. Herein lies a danger in education, unless it be of the right sort.

It is often difficult for the work of the schools to counteract the bad influence of certain pernicious factors of education which are tolerated by society outside of school.

We are trying to have our schools teach a proper attitude toward work. Many young people, after attending school, are ashamed to do ordinary work. A philosophy of education which is against good honest labor of any kind is dangerous.

Education of a people is the problem of the home, the church and society in general. Schools as maintained today, cannot do it all.

The confidence that society places in the schools entrusting their children to its care for many days in the year is an encouraging omen and speaks commendingly of the present day school.

Honorable Newton D. Baker declares, "The great problem before the world today is rebuilding faith. Faith must be re-established or the fate which overtook the powerful nations of antiquity will be our's." Some picture that we are threatened with a dark age. Nothing can do more toward preventing this

fate than to teach and instill in our people, especially our school children, Faith. Faith in the future, faith in truth, faith in our government and in its foundation principles, and faith in God and humanity. Any instruction which tends to break faith in the essentials of life is injurious. The instruction in schools should strengthen faith.

The schools of our town are striving to reach the ideals discussed above. They are as free as possible from fads and the non-essentials, and thorough effective work is being done. The scholarship is not all that is desired in some cases. Lack of high scholarship is a problem which is becoming acute. It is partially offset by the fact that the demands of scholarship have been reduced, while those of other lines have been increased.

Standard tests have been given during the past year by the Superintendent to pupils of the elementary grades. The results compared favorably with the standard.

Especially good work is being done under the direction of our capable teachers. At no time during my knowledge have our schools, as a whole, been under better management than at present. We hope that funds will be available for sufficient salaries, and all conditions be favorable so that our present force of teachers can be retained. We repeat again that more money spent for good schools is a much better investment than less money for poor schools.

But little need be written about the daily school work, for it has been quite fully discussed in the reports of previous years.

The schools during this year have had but little interruption by sickness or inclement weather. The work is going on harmoniously, and the spirit of the schools is good. There has been a large improvement in the High School in the pupil's attitude toward work and good conduct. There has been a marked improvement in scholarship also.

At the opening of schools last September all of the school rooms were filled or crowded. If the number should increase much in East Mendon and the Center buildings more room would be needed.

Because of the large number of grades in each room of the Elementary grades, it is impossible to carry out the "Group" Plan or the Individual Instruction Plan. This condition puts many of the pupils to a disadvantage, especially the slower working minds. Hence, there are more instances of "failure to pass" and also of pushing some forward too rapidly.

The reports of the nurse and the Music Supervisor speak of the work in these important phases of education.

We urge again, as discussed in previous reports, the value of art instruction and the need of a Drawing Supervisor.

At the instigation of the Junior Extension Service, and under the careful leadership of Miss Pearson, the girls of the Center Elementary grades carried on a successful Home Economics Club, called the "Mend-On" Club, consisting of twelve in number, seven completing the work.

An exhibit of garments made by the club girls and an interesting entertainment was held in one of the town hall rooms in May. A charter was granted the club and pins given the members; bronze pins to first year members; silver pins to second year members; and gold pins to third year members. A gold pin was awarded to the Superintendent of Schools.

The officers of the club were: President, Silvia Hartshorn, Secretary, Helga Carlstrom.

Prizes were awarded as follows:

First prize for First Year Work	Esle Taylor
Second prize for First Year Work	Esther Coffin
Third prize for First Year Work	Emma Taft

An especially good class was graduated from the Grammar School in June. The graduation exercises were of high order and pleasing.

The Principal's report will give the details of the work of the High School.

Courses of Study for the High School, embracing the Classical (College) Course and the General Course, have been adopted and printed. These have been much needed so that parents and pupils can definitely know what subjects pupils are

to take for the Course they choose. A copy of this report has been provided each pupil.

A well prepared class of six members will be graduated in June. This class is planning to take a trip to the Nation's Capital as a part of their education.

A small High School like our's has some advantages and many disadvantages from the large schools. The school is considerably handicapped in not having a laboratory and sufficient equipment. A laboratory room for the Science classes is much needed. If the prevention of danger of fire hazard could be cared for, a good room could be provided in the attic of the building. This matter is worthy of consideration.

A new piano in the building is much needed. There is only one in the building now, and that an old one in a poor condition. We urge that a small portable piano of a later model be provided.

A new set of Compton's Encyclopedias has been purchased for the schools. These will be a great educational help which has been much needed. Our public library is a very helpful means of education to the pupils who make use of it. The efficient help of our librarian is much appreciated.

By means of a special appropriation, the Center School building was painted during the summer vacation. Within the past three years this building has been refinished inside and out. Thus, the appearance of the building has been greatly improved, and also it is a needed protection.

In spite of all that can be done, sometimes in driving storms, water still comes in through the walls and defaces to some extent the interior of the building.

We again call attention to the fact that we believe that the rooms could be kept much warmer if the walls were plastered back of the black boards. This is especially needed on the northwest corner.

The storm windows which were put on the building one year ago have helped much in making the rooms more comfortable and in saving fuel. Some new curtains will be needed

in the building this year. Some small chairs should be provided for the Primary room.

The Albeeville building should be painted this coming summer. Plans for painting the building this past fall were made, but could not materialize. If the use of this building for a school is to be continued long, new seats must be provided. Some of them are in a poor condition now.

New curtains must be provided the East Mendon building. The newly refinished seats have added much to the attractiveness of the building and for convenience in writing.

The toilet houses for this building are in a very bad condition. We urge that new ones with cement foundations and proper vaults be built this coming season. A new furnace is needed in this building.

The transportation of school children is becoming an increasingly difficult problem in many towns. Our barge drivers are well taking care of those thus transported. Some are transported by electric cars.

Now and then there are requests that other children be transported to and from school. If such pupils live within reasonable distance of the school, the school committee cannot provide transportation for such without providing for all others under like circumstances. If another barge route was to be started, an appropriation voted by the town would be necessary.

Present day conditions make the traveling upon our public highways attendant with some possible dangers. Safety First rules should be taught school children, and police protection for other dangers may be necessary.

The Superintendent of Schools wishes to take the opportunity again to especially commend the work of each teacher and janitor and to thank them for their assistance in our efforts for efficiency and excellence of the school work. He is also very grateful for the generous courtesy of the school children which is inspiring and helpful.

Again we repeat that no committee can do more than the Mendon Committee in exerting its best efforts in its judicious expenditures of the school appropriation in order that the

greatest possible results may be obtained from every dollar expended.

In order that the present plans for school work may be carried on next year, the same amount of appropriation is needed. Also, provision should be made for the needed repairs.

There were three resignations of teachers last spring, and the new teachers elected to fill the vacant positions at the beginning of this school year were elected at lower than previous salaries. This accounts to a large extent, for the amount of school funds we were able to turn back this year. Next year these salaries must be increased. On account of the increased valuation of the town, the reimbursement from the State will be less next year.

This making citizens is a great, important and serious work, and the co-operation of parents and all other educational agencies is essential.

The Superintendent much appreciates the harmonious co-operation of the school committee, and thanks them and the townspeople for their loyal support and willing co-operative assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

CARROLL H. DROWN.

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

MR. CARROLL H. DROWN, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I herewith submit my fourth annual report as Principal of Mendon High School:

The school opened the eighth of September which was one week later than the date of opening last year. Our enrollment of thirty-five pupils was the largest for many years and necessitated the buying of six new desks and several new chairs for the recitation room. Another pupil entered later in the year and three have withdrawn making our present enrollment thirty three; sixteen boys and seventeen girls, which includes a comparatively large freshman class of fifteen.

New texts have been added in the upper classes in English. A new set of encyclopedias which has been much needed, has proved of great advantage to the school. In addition we have procured a new set of scales for the physics laboratory. These were very essential for accurate weighing in experimental work.

We are very grateful to the school board for their willingness to purchase new equipment as far as their finances allow.

I would recommend that a part of the attic be made into a new laboratory since it would be more convenient and satisfactory than the basement which is now used for laboratory work.

A new course of study has been devised for next year which includes only two years of French in place of the three which has previously been required. The reason for the change is that nearly all colleges and technical schools require only two years of that language at the present time.

We feel that a better attitude toward school work on the part of the pupils is being maintained and that the standard of the school is continually improving.

I was sorry to have Miss Brown leave at the end of the last winter term but her work is being very efficiently carried on by Miss McIntyre.

The senior class is looking forward to a trip to Washington which they hope to take during the spring vacation. I believe that this trip is very beneficial and of great educational advantage near the close of a high school course.

The Principal feels that the schools have the full support of the community and wishes to thank the superintendent, teachers, school board, parents and scholars for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR L. GARLAND,

Principal.

MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

Graduation Exercises

Unitarian Church, Mendon, at 8 O'Clock P. M.

Friday, June 19, 1925

Prayer

Rev. Roy B. Wintersteen.

Song—When the Roses Bloom Again

Adams

High School.

Essay—Tendencies of Modern Education.

Roland Rogers.

Song—Pilgrim's Chorus

Wagner

High School.

Essay—Preparedness

Lester Irons.

Song—Forest Dance

Targett

High School.

Address

Dr. William L. Johnson.

Song—The Lake

Abt

High School.

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. Pickard, Chairman of the School Committee.

Benediction

Rev. Wintersteen.

GRADUATES.

Roland Andrew Rogers,
Lester Lloyd Irons.

Class Motto—Labor Omnia Vincit.

Class Colors—Blue and Gold.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE.

MR. CARROLL H. DROWN, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

I submit the following report of my work as School Nurse in Mendon for the year ending December 31, 1925.

When in session, the Center School has been visited each week, usually Tuesday morning. Visits to Albeeville and East Mendon schools have been made on alternate weeks, except for a few instances in mid-winter.

The results of Dr. Campbell's examination are as follows:

Number of pupils examined	157
Number of pupils with Adenoids	2
Number of pupils with Defective Tonsils	22
Number of pupils with Defective Teeth	48
Number of pupils Poor Posture	4
Number of pupils with Strabismus	1

CORRECTIONS DURING THE YEAR:

Adenoids and Tonsils	2
Teeth	20

Calls have been made to the homes of seventy-one children. The pupils are inspected about once in two months as to general appearance, condition of teeth, skin and hair. All were weighed at the beginning and end of the school year, those 10 per cent. or more underweight were weighed each month and talked with as to their particular problems. In September, 1924, there were twenty-seven of this group; in September, 1925, twenty, showing

a gain of seven. While weight is not a perfect yardstick of health, it is a significant symptom.

In November the Health Brownie gave us a health entertainment. This was financed by the Christmas Seal Fund, administered by the South Worcester County Health Association. The children were interested and have remembered some of the lessons the Brownie taught. The intermediate room at the Center school has been doing the Health Crusade quite successfully, among other habits improved, the number of tea and coffee drinkers has been perceptibly reduced. Talks have been given and various methods devised to stimulate an interest in habits of cleanliness and health.

I have attended the school health conferences held by the State and found them very helpful. The last one on rural school sanitation of school buildings, was particularly applicable to small schools, clean drinking water, clean toilets and hand-washing facilities should be suitable and available to pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. WILSON, R. N.

School Nurse.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

MR. CARROLL H. DROWN, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,

MY DEAR MR. DROWN :—

Considering the fact that the work in music in the public schools of Mendon has been carried on in the same manner as in previous years, I hardly think that a detailed report is necessary.

We have added a new phase in the work by way of a Music Memory Contest to be given in the spring. In preparation for this contest the pupils of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades study twenty well known compositions by famous composers. A brief sketch of the lives of the composers are taken. The boys and girls learn to recognize these compositions when they hear them. Then the contest follows. The young people show a keen interest in this work.

All the grades are well supplied now with the Progressive Music Readers and I feel that they are making good progress in reading.

The High School Chorus is larger this year than ever before. The purchasing of much needed chorus books has been a great help and they are greatly appreciated by both students and myself.

I wish to thank you and your teachers for their hearty co-operation in music.

Respectfully submitted,

BEULAH C. THOMPSON,

Supervisor of Music.

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATION EXERCISES

Town Hall, Mendon, at 2 O'Clock P. M.

Friday, June 12, 1925

Music—Processional

Invocation

Rev. Wintersteen.

Welcome and Essay

Dorothy Nelson.

Song—Away to the Woods

Center School.

Essay—Inventions

Howard Geddis.

Essay—Stonewall Jackson

Helen Soszyniska.

Essay—Radio

Pauline Tucker.

Duet—Little Fairy Waltz

Alma Peterson and Adele Hentschel.

Essay—My Trip to Florida

Francis Dewolfe.

Essay—Thomas Edison

Anna Anesta.

Song—Up In the Leafy Apple Tree

East Mendon School.

Essay—Preservation of Our Forests

Everett Goodnow.

Essay—Money

Alberta Kearsley.

Essay—Irrigation

Gordon Barrows.

Violin Solo

Nils Carlstrom.

Essay—Travel and Transportation

Vera Auty.

Essay—Domestic Science

Helen Pickard.

Song—Santa Lucia

Seven Girls from Albeeville School.

Essay—Benjamin West

Jane Zylinska.

Essay—Mining

Adele Hentschel.

Piano Solo—Legend

Alberta Kearsley.

Essay—The United States in the World War

Herbert Pickard.

Essay—The Class Ride

Viola Mathewson.

Song—June Song

Center School.

Essay—Panama Canal, and Valedictory

Clifford Entwistle.

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. Pickard, Chairman of the School Committee.

Song—School Days

Class.

Benediction

Rev. Wintersteen.

Reception to Class

MENDON GRAMMAR SCHOOL GRADUATES.

1925.

Dorothy Nelson
Howard Geddis
Helen Soszyniska
Pauline Tucker
Alma Peterson
Adele Hentschel
Francis Dewolfe
Anna Anesta
Everett Goodnow

Alberta Kearsley
Gordon Barrows
Nils Carlstrom
Vera Auty
Helen Pickard
Jane Zylinska
Herbert Pickard
Viola Mathewson
Clifford Entwistle

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES

Mendon, May 29, 1925.

Salute to the Flag

All Schools.

Prayer

Rev. Mr. Wintersteen.

Star Spangled Banner

All Schools.

Barbara Frietchie

Dorothea Thomas.

Song—Tenting Tonight

All Schools.

Song—We Little Children

Six Primary Boys.

Song—Up With the Flag

Grammar School.

Gettysburg Address

Jesse Taft.

Song—America the Beautiful

All Schools.

Recitation

Eliot Brown.

Recitation—Do You Know What It Means
Beatrice Davenport.

Song—Bringing Flowers Fair and Fragrant
Grade III.

Recitation—Warren's Address
Norman Rogers.

Recitation—Our Gifts
Wilfred Bouchard.

Song—In Remembrance True
Dorcas Barrows and Alice Lapham.

Recitation—Daddy's Flag
Joseph Taylor.

Song—Tramp, Tramp, Tramp
Grammar School.

Recitation—Little Hearts and Little Hands
Sylvia Sprague.

Song—Come Ye Happy Hearted Children
Grades I and II.

Recitation—Memorial Day
Ella Bates, David Jones and Ada Thomas.

Song—Wave the Flag
Grades IV and V.

Recitation—The Blending of the Blue and Gray
Beatrice Sheldon and Virginia Smith.

Recitation
Douglas Taylor.

Song—Battle Hymn of the Republic
All Schools.

Remarks
Mr. Gaskell.

Address
Mr. Videtto.

Song—America
All.

Benediction
Rev. Mr. Wintersteen.

REPORT OF SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS.

DECEMBER, 1925.

Number of pupils examined	195
Number found defective in eyesight	13
Number found defective in hearing	4
Number parents notified	16

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES, JANUARY 1, 1926
AND BY AGES, APRIL 1, 1926

Ages	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total
BOYS																
Grades																
Grade I	3	3	3				1									9
Grade II		2	7	5	1		1									16
Grade III			1	7	2	1	2									11
Grade IV				1	4	1	3			1						9
Grade V					2	1	6	2								8
Grade VI							1	2								8
Grade VII						2		4	2							9
Grade VIII								1	5		1					7
Totals of Elementary Grades	3	5	11	13	9	5	13	9	7	1	1					77
High School																
IX									2	2	2					6
X										1	2	2				5
XI												1				1
XII													3	1		4
Total High School									2	3	4	3	3	1		16
Total Boys	3	5	11	13	9	5	13	9	9	4	5	3	3	1		93
Ages	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
GIRLS																
Grades																
Grade I	3	8	1	2												14
Grade II		2	3		2											7
Grade III				5	1		1									7
Grade IV				1	3		1	1								8
Grade V					2	5	1	1								9
Grade VI						8	3	3		1						15
Grade VII							2	2	3							7
Grade VIII								1	5	3	1					10
Totals of Elementary Grades	3	10	4	8	8	15	8	8	8	4	1					77
High School																
IX								1	3	2	2	1				9
X											3		1			4
XI												2				2
XII													2			2
Total High School								1	3	2	5	3	3			17
Total Girls	3	10	4	8	8	15	8	9	11	6	6	3	3			94
Grand Totals	6	15	15	21	17	20	21	18	20	10	11	6	6	1		187

Numbers appearing in heavy type are ranked as normal.

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1924—1925.

Schools	Total Enrollment		Non-Resident	Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Attendance	Average Membership	Enrollment April 1, 1925		Total No. of Pupils Not Enrolled in Any Other Town in State		No. of Pupils 5 to 7 Years of Age	No. of Pupils 7 to 14 Years of Age	No. of Pupils 14 to 16 Years of Age	No. of Pupils Over 16 Years of Age	No. of Pupils Having Perfect Attendance	Per Cent of Attendance
	Boys	Girls					Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls						
High Center	26	14	12	0	4673.	24.33	25.44	26	14	12	26	14	12	0	13	95.63
Grades 6, 7, 8	38	18	20	2	5779.5	33.5	35.48	35	16	19	38	18	20	0	0	94.41
Grades 3, 4, 5	49	19	30	8	6477.5	37.55	40.95	42	16	26	39	13	26	0	0	91.69
Grades 1, 2	31	23	8	3	5009.	28.87	31.76	32	24	8	31	23	8	0	0	90.90
East Mendon	31	20	11	4	3896.5	22.52	24.32	25	17	8	28	17	11	1	0	92.5
Grades 1 to 8	26	10	16	0	3683.5	21.17	24.29	26	10	16	26	10	16	2	0	87.
Albeeville																
Grades 1 to 8																
Totals	201	104	97	17	29519.	167.94	182.24	186	97	89	188	95	93	10	140	92.

TOWN WARRANT.

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Mendon, on the first day of March, 1926, punctually, at 9 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, viz.:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following officers: A Town Clerk for 1 year; three Selectmen for 1 year; one Assessor for 3 years; three Overseers of the Poor for 1 year; Town Treasurer for 1 year; Collector of Taxes for 1 year; Auditor for 1 year; one Constable for 1 year; Tree Warden for 1 year; one Trustee of Taft Public Library for 2 years; one School Committee for 3 years; one Park Commissioner for 3 years; also to bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: "Shall license be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this town?" All on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several town officers and committees, and act thereon.

Article 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To raise such sums as are necessary to pay town charges and make appropriations for same.

Article 6. To determine when all taxes for the year 1926 shall become due and payable, the time from which interest on unpaid taxes of said year shall be charged, and the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

Article 7. To see what measures the town will take to secure the speedy collection of taxes.

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to hire money, and to what amount, to pay current expenses for the financial year commencing January 1, 1926, in anticipation of revenue.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for Memorial Day services, and appoint a committee to expend the same.

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any sum of money for care and improvement in the Old Cemetery or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the improvement and repair of highways to be expended under direction of Massachusetts Highway Commission as provided by Chapter 81 of the General Acts of 1921 or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to be expended on the Highways provided the State and County will contribute for the same.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 to pay for the services of a School Nurse or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50 to pay for the services of the School Physician, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 for the purpose of installing a new heater, and repair the out houses at the East Mendon School, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to buy a Fire Siren, raise and appropriate any sum of money therefor, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to buy a Stone Crusher and Outfit, or any other road machinery, appropriate any money therefor, appoint a committee to investigate the matter, or act in any way in relation to the same.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to pay any snow bills not approved by the Superintendent of Streets, or act in any way in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to install three additional street lights on George Street from opposite the home of Mary Blaisdell, raise and appropriate any sum of money therefor or act in any way in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to install five street lights on Providence Street from opposite the house of Kenneth Taft, raise and appropriate any sum of money therefor or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to buy any Equipment for the better removal of snow from the highways, raise and appropriate any sum of money therefor or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to build New Bridges over Muddy Brook and Mill River, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 23. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the compensation due the Collector of Taxes for the year 1924.

Article 24. To see what action the Town will take relative to actions that may be brought by or against the Town.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to petition for the installation of Accounting System by the Commonwealth or take any action in relation to the same.

The polls may be closed at 4.00 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up an attested copy thereof at the Post Office in said Mendon, and causing a copy of the same to be published one time in one of the daily papers, published in Milford, Mass., both said posting and publication to be at least seven days before the time of the meeting hereby ordered to be held.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen and Town Clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this 12th day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

FRANK M. ALDRICH,
WILLIAM A. BARRY,
JOHN C. RIPLEY,

Selectmen of Mendon.

